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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT REPORT

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ACTION: ☐ INACTIVE ■ ACTIVE ☐ PENDING	NON-CRIMINAL ☐	# OF ADULT ARRESTS	# OF SUBJECT DETENTIONS	URN# RETENTION	YEAR	SEQUENTIAL	REPORTING DISTRICT	STAT CODE	TAG#
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CLASSIFICATION 1 / LEVEL / STAT CODE
Attempt Murder On A Peace Officer, 664/187(a) PC / F / 013

CLASSIFICATION 2 / LEVEL / STAT CODE

CLASSIFICATION 3 / LEVEL / STAT CODE

CLASSIFICATION 4 / LEVEL / STAT CODE

ADDITIONAL STAT CODES ☐ ASAP / 83 ■ FIREARM RELATED / 830 ☐ GANG RELATED / 860 ☐ CYBER CRIME / 551 ☐ CYBER - RELATED CRIME / 552 ☐ CYBER - RELATED INCIDENT (NON - CRIMINAL) / 559 ☐ OTHER

DATE / TIME / DAY OF OCCURRENCE
8-1-19 / 0100 HRS / Thursday

☐ PRINTS REQUESTED ☐ PRINTS COMPLETED REQUESTED BY: TIME

LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE
[redacted] Brynhurst Avenue, Los Angeles CA 90043

BUSINESS NAME

CODE: V - VICTIM • W - WITNESS • I - INFORMANT • R - REPORTING PARTY • P - PARTY

CODE	# of	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	SEX	RACE	DOB	AGE	DRIVER'S LICENSE / STATE ID
V	1 1	Van Hoesen	Gregory						

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: Los Angeles Sheriff's Deputy | CITY | STATE | ZIP | RESIDENCE PHONE (Area Code)

BUSINESS / SCHOOL (GRADE) ADDRESS: 1310 W. Imperial Highway | CITY: Los Angeles | STATE: CA | ZIP: 90044 | BUSINESS PHONE (Area Code): 323-820-6700

ETHNIC ORIGIN | EMAIL ADDRESS | SOCIAL NETWORKING ACCOUNT | CELL PHONE (Area Code)

VICTIM OF OFFENSE(S) (CLASSIFICATION) #: # 1 | VICTIM DESIROUS OF PROSECUTION? ☐ YES ☐ NO | VICTIM OF SEX CRIME DESIROUS OF CONFIDENTIALITY? ☐ YES ☐ NO | ENGLISH SPEAKING? ■ YES ☐ NO LANGUAGE

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CODE: S - SUSPECT • SJ - SUBJECT • M - PATIENT • S/V - SUSPECT / VICTIM • SJ / V - SUBJECT / VICTIM

CODE	# of	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	DOB	AGE	DRIVER'S LICENSE / STATE ID
S	1 1	UNK					

SEX	RACE	ETHNIC ORIGIN	HAIR	EYES	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CELL PHONE (Area Code)
M	B						

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: UNK | CITY | STATE | ZIP | RESIDENCE PHONE (Area Code)

BUSINESS / SCHOOL (GRADE) ADDRESS | CITY | STATE | ZIP | BUSINESS PHONE (Area Code)

AKA | EMAIL ADDRESS | SOCIAL NETWORKING ACCOUNT | ENGLISH SPEAKING? ☐ YES ☐ NO LANGUAGE

MONIKER | CHARGE: 664/187(a) PC | BOOKING NUMBER | WHERE DETAINED OR CITE NUMBER: N.I.C

CODE	# of	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	DOB	AGE	DRIVER'S LICENSE / STATE ID

SEX	RACE	ETHNIC ORIGIN	HAIR	EYES	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CELL PHONE (Area Code)

RESIDENCE ADDRESS | CITY | STATE | ZIP | RESIDENCE PHONE (Area Code)

BUSINESS / SCHOOL (GRADE) ADDRESS | CITY | STATE | ZIP | BUSINESS PHONE (Area Code)

AKA | EMAIL ADDRESS | SOCIAL NETWORKING ACCOUNT | ENGLISH SPEAKING? ☐ YES ☐ NO LANGUAGE

MONIKER | CHARGE | BOOKING NUMBER | WHERE DETAINED OR CITE NUMBER

BY DEPUTY	EMPLOYEE #	SWORN EXP IN YRS	DEPUTY	EMPLOYEE #	SWORN EXP IN YRS	VACATION DATES
E. Chappell	[redacted]	6	J. Ortiz	[redacted]	7	0

STATION: South Los Angeles | UNIT / CAR #: 30W2 | SHIFT: PM | APPROVED: SGT [redacted] | EMPLOYEE #: [redacted] | DATE / TIME: 08/01/19 0832

PCD SUBMITTED? ☐ YES ■ NO | VACATION DATES: 0 | ASSIGNMENT: HOMICIDE

HQ NOTIFICATION REQUESTED? ■ YES ☐ NO | DEPUTY | DATE / TIME | SPECIAL REQUEST DISTRIBUTION

SUSPECT / SUBJECT FIELD RELEASE APPROVED BY: | DATE / TIME | CRIME BROADCAST BY | DATE / TIME | SECRETARY

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

INCIDENT REPORT

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URN# 019-06618-0399-013

TAG # 14

DATE 8-1-19

VEHICLE	LICENSE (STATE & NUMBER)	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	BODY TYPE	COLOR
VEHICLE FOR VICTIM #					SUV	Tan
VEHICLE FOR SUSPECT # 1	REGISTERED OWNER	IDENTIFYING FEATURES				
STATUS ☐ STOLEN ☐ STORED ☐ DAMAGED ☐ IMPOUNDED ☐ EMBEZZLED ☒ OUTSTANDING	CHP 180 SUBMITTED? ☐ YES ☒ NO	GARAGE NAME & PHONE				
DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE						

VEHICLE	LICENSE (STATE & NUMBER)	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	BODY TYPE	COLOR
VEHICLE FOR VICTIM #						
VEHICLE FOR SUSPECT #	REGISTERED OWNER	IDENTIFYING FEATURES				
STATUS ☐ STOLEN ☐ STORED ☐ DAMAGED ☐ IMPOUNDED ☐ EMBEZZLED ☐ OUTSTANDING	CHP 180 SUBMITTED? ☐ YES ☐ NO	GARAGE NAME & PHONE				
DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE						

SCREENING FACTORS

- ☐ 1. SUSPECT IN CUSTODY
- ☐ 2. SUSPECT NAMED / KNOWN
- ☐ 3. UNIQUE SUSPECT IDENTIFIERS
- ☐ 4. VEHICLE IN CUSTODY
- ☐ 5. UNIQUE VEHICLE IDENTIFIERS
- ☒ 6. WRITER/REVIEWER DISCRETION

PROPERTY CODE:

S – STOLEN • R – RECOVERED • L – LOST • F – FOUND • E – EMBEZZLED • D – DAMAGED • K – SAFEKEEPING
(Use all applicable Codes; for example, if property is both Stolen and Recovered, Code is S/R)

RELEASED TO

CODE	ITEM #	QUAN.	DESCRIPTION (Include kind of article, trade name, identifying numbers, physical description, material, color, condition, age and present market value)	SERIAL #	VALUE

We responded to [redacted] Brynhurst Avenue in Los Angeles regarding a Deputy involved shooting.

Upon our arrival, we contacted Unit 30W1 who stated he conducted a traffic stop in the area of the incident. During the stop, a deputy involved shooting occurred.

We saw S/1 lying in the street with his head facing south and his feet facing north. Los Angeles City Fire paramedics pronounced S/1 deceased at 0118 HRS.

Los Angeles Sheriff's Homicide Bureau was notified at 0155 HRS. Homicide detectives arrived at 0244 HRS and took command of the investigation.

The deceased suspect was assigned Los Angeles County Coroner Case #2019-05778.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

DATE: AUGUST 1, 2019

FILE NO.: 019-06618-0399-013

C: ATTEMPTED MURDER OF A PEACE OFFICER, 664/187(A)PC.
DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTING
(SUSPECT DECEASED)

ACTION: ACTIVE / INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED / CRIME SCENE PROCESSED / EVIDENCE RECOVERED / AUTOPSY ATTENDED

CORONER CASE # 2019-05778

V: DEPUTY GREGORY VAN HOESEN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT, EMPLOYEE #[redacted]
(UNINJURED)

D: AUGUST 1, 2019, (THURSDAY),
AT APPROXIMATELY 0100 HOURS

L: [redacted] BRYNHURST AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CA 90043

S: SIMPSON, JAMAAL, MB/21,
DOB 04-23-1998, CII [redacted]
(DECEASED)

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WITNESSES:

DEPUTY KEVIN HONEA MW/A
EMPLOYEE #[redacted]

DEPUTY ERIC CHAPPELL MW/A
EMPLOYEE #[redacted]

DEPUTY DANIEL GONZALEZ MH/A
EMPLOYEE #[redacted]

DEPUTY MATTHEW SENO MA/A
EMPLOYEE #[redacted]

DEPUTY DANIEL IKE MA/A
EMPLOYEE #[redacted]



[redacted] MB/A

[redacted] FB/A

EVIDENCE HELD:

Item #SL-1: Black "Motorola" cellphone, Model #XT1921-5. Located in Suspect Simpson's front right pant pocket
(Booked at Homicide Bureau)

Item #30: 9MM "Glock 17" semi-automatic handgun, serial# [redacted] with an attached "Surefire" light and magazine, belonging to Deputy Van Hoesen.
(Booked at Sheriff's Crime Lab)

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION:

On August 1, 2019, at approximately 0100 hours, Investigators Scott Lawler and Steve Blagg were detailed to the respond to the command post located at 3411 West Florence Avenue, in the city of Los Angeles, to investigate the circumstances regarding the attempted murder of Deputy Gregory Van Hoesen, which led to a deputy involved shooting and the death of Suspect Jamaal Simpson. The shooting occurred at [redacted] Brynhurst Avenue, in the city of Los Angeles. Investigators Louie Aguilera and Marc Boisvert were assigned to assist with the investigation.

Upon their arrival, investigators were briefed by South Los Angeles Station Deputy Eric Chappell, #[redacted] Unit 30W2/ PM shift, regarding the chain of events that culminated in the deputy involved shooting. Investigators learned that Deputy Van Hoesen attempted to conduct a vehicle stop on a tan sports utility vehicle. The vehicle yielded on 71st Street, east of Brynhurst Avenue. The front passenger of the vehicle exited and distanced himself from the vehicle. Once away from the vehicle, the front passenger produced a handgun and fired at Deputy Van Hoesen, who returned fire and struck the suspect. The driver of the tan sports utility vehicle fled the scene. Investigators were also informed that a .40 caliber handgun was located next to the suspect and the firearm did not have a magazine in it. However, there was a magazine located in the street, close to where the traffic stop occurred.

Members of the Los Angeles City Fire Department Engine #66 responded to the scene and provided treatment for the suspect, who was later identified as Jamaal Simpson. Suspect Simpson was pronounced dead at 0118 hours by Paramedic Avila.

Investigators Aguilera and Boisvert were tasked with documenting the scene and evidence collection. They will complete a supplemental report documenting their actions, which will be made a part of the investigative file. Deputy Chappell authored a crime report and a supplemental report documenting his actions, which will be made a part of the investigative file. Assisting Deputies Mitchell, Ike, Seno, Ojeda, Honea and Porras authored supplemental reports as well, documenting their actions which will be made a part of the investigative file as well.

CANVASS FOR SURVEILLANCE VIDEO:

While at the scene, investigators noted that the residences [redacted] all had external surveillance cameras. Detective Suarez with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Tech Crew responded to the scene and was able to retrieve video from [redacted] and [redacted] The residences at [redacted] did not have functioning cameras.

IDENTIFICATION OF SUSPECT VEHICLE AND REGISTERED OWNER:

Investigators Lawler and Blagg were made aware that the last vehicle Deputy Van Hoesen ran via his Mobile Digital Computer (MDC) was a 2003 tan Honda Pilot, bearing California License [redacted] With the assistance of Crime Analyst Danielle Hefte, investigators learned that the registered owner of the Honda Pilot was a male White adult named [redacted] who resided in Santa Monica and had a telephone number of [redacted] While at the command post, Investigator Blagg called the Santa Monica Police Department and requested a door knock be conducted at [redacted] residence to ascertain if he knew the whereabouts of his vehicle. Officer [redacted] #[redacted] conducted the door knock and informed Investigator Blagg that no one answered the door. Investigator Lawler called the telephone number Crime Analyst Hefte discovered and no one answered.

INTERVIEW OF DEPUTY VAN HOESEN:

On August 1, 2019, at approximately 0650 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg interviewed Deputy Gregory Van Hoesen. Also present during the interview was William J. Hadden, with the RLS law firm, who represented Deputy Van Hoesen. The interview took place in the detective conference room within the South Los Angeles Sheriff's Station and was audio recorded. The following is a summary of the interview.

Deputy Van Hoesen was a Deputy Sheriff for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and had been so employed for the past 7 years. On September 30, 2019, Deputy Van Hoesen's shift began at [redacted] hours and ended at [redacted] hours on August 1, 2019. During his shift he worked Unit 30W1, which was a single man unit and part of the summer enforcement team. During his shift, Deputy Van Hoesen drove a marked black and white Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Ford Explorer, equipped with a light bar and two spot lights. During his shift, Deputy Van Hoesen wore a long sleeved "Patrol Duty Uniform" which took the place of the traditional Class A Uniform. The uniform shirt was long sleeve and had Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department patches on each arm, a sheriff's badge over the left chest area and a name tag over the right chest area. He also wore green "BDU" style pants and a police belt that carried his handgun and other police equipment.

While stopped at the traffic light eastbound Century Boulevard at Prairie Avenue, Deputy Van Hoesen observed a tan Honda SUV in the number one lane of Century Boulevard. Deputy Van Hoesen was in the number three lane of Century Boulevard.



The vehicle was occupied by two male Black adults. Deputy Van Hoesen ran the vehicles license plate via the Mobile Digital Computer (MDC) in his patrol vehicle and discovered the vehicle had expired registration and was registered to a residence in Santa Monica. The tan Honda SUV turned onto northbound Prairie Avenue and after it was safe to do so, Deputy Van Hoesen turned on to northbound Prairie Avenue as well. While on Prairie Avenue, Deputy Van Hoesen activated his vehicles overhead lights and attempted to stop the vehicle. He estimated that he was approximately one vehicle length behind the tan Honda SUV when he activated the lights and was south of Manchester Avenue. After activating his overhead lights, the vehicles right hand turn single turned on and the vehicle pulled over to the right hand side of Prairie Avenue. Deputy Van Hoesen pulled over his patrol vehicle as well. The Honda SUV then sped off, continuing northbound Prairie Avenue. When the vehicle accelerated, the vehicle kicked up debris from the street. Deputy Van Hoesen accelerated his patrol vehicle to maintain sight of the vehicle. He observed the vehicle straddle lanes and swerve from side to side. The vehicle continued northbound on Prairie Avenue and turned onto eastbound Florence Boulevard. At some point Deputy Van Hoesen deactivated the overhead lights of his patrol vehicle. He then observed the vehicle turn north on West Avenue and start to slow. When the vehicle slowed, Deputy Van Hoesen was able to catch up to it. The vehicle then turned eastbound onto 67th Street and Deputy Van Hoesen re-activated the overhead lights of his vehicle. Deputy Van Hoesen told investigators that while traveling through the residential neighborhood on 67th Street, the vehicle was traveling at a "reasonable speed". He also told investigators that he did not recall how fast he was traveling and stated his main focus was on the Honda SUV.

Deputy Van Hoesen told investigators that after the vehicle turned onto eastbound 67th Street, it appeared again as if the vehicle was going to pull over. The vehicle slowed and turned southbound onto Brynhurst Avenue. Deputy Van Hoesen believed the vehicle was going to stop at 71st Street. Instead, the vehicle slowed and turned east, onto 71st Street. The vehicle then came to a stop along the south side of 71st Street. When the vehicle came to a stop, it was facing eastbound, as was his patrol vehicle. He estimated that the distance between the Honda SUV and his vehicle was approximately one vehicle length. Deputy Van Hoesen told investigators that after the vehicle came to a stop, the front passenger, who he described as a male Black adult, exited the vehicle. Deputy Van Hoesen ordered the passenger to "stop". He further explained to investigators that when the passenger exited the vehicle he was facing Deputy Van Hoesen. The passenger then turned south and reached for the front of his waistband. At some point, Deputy Van Hoesen withdrew his firearm and again ordered the passenger to "stop". The passenger then ran in between parked vehicles to the south sidewalk of 71st Street. Deputy Van Hoesen told investigators that the passenger was wearing "baggy pants" that were "sagging past his butt" and as he was running he was trying to pick up his pants while reaching towards the front of his waistband. The passenger then ran westbound on the south sidewalk of 71st Street, towards Brynhurst Avenue. Deputy Van Hoesen backed up and took a position behind "the C pillar" of his patrol vehicle in order to maintain a visual on the passenger. Deputy Van Hoesen told investigators that at some point, the driver of the Honda SUV drove eastbound on 71st Street and out of view. He also told investigators that while behind the "C pillar" his



focus was directed at the passenger because as the passenger was running, he observed him withdraw a black firearm from his waistband area.

Upon observing the firearm, Deputy Van Hoesen became "scared" and didn't know if the passenger was going to try to "flank him" and didn't know what the driver of the vehicle had inside the car. Deputy Van Hoesen thought the passenger and the driver of the vehicle were possibly going to form an "L shaped ambush" on him. After Deputy Van Hoesen observed the passenger holding a firearm, he again told him to "stop". The passenger ignored the command and continued running to southbound Brynhurst Avenue. Deputy Van Hoesen took a position on Brynhurst Avenue, in order to maintain a visual of the passenger. He did not know the passengers intentions and did not want the armed passenger to run through a residential neighborhood. He added that there were citizens around the immediate area. He also added that he took a position on Brynhurst Avenue because he needed to know the passengers location in case he ran into a residence and a barricade situation arose. Deputy Van Hoesen estimated that between the time when the passenger exited the vehicle and he observed him running on Brynhurst Avenue, he issued commands for the passenger to "stop" on four different occasions.

While on Brynhurst Avenue, Deputy Van Hoesen observed the passenger run in a southwest, diagonal direction, across the street. Deputy Van Hoesen issued another command for the passenger to "stop" at which point the passenger reached back and shot at Deputy Van Hoesen. Deputy Van Hoesen described the passenger had his back to him and he bladed his body by turning to the right when he shot at him. He added that the passenger did not come to a stop to shoot, he shot while running. Deputy Van Hoesen saw the muzzle flash of the gun and heard the round travel past him. He described the muzzle flash as being orange and yellow and was able to see the muzzle of the gun pointed in his direction when he saw the flash. He added that when the passenger bladed his body, he was able to see his face and stated the suspect had a "blank stare". Upon being shot at, Deputy Van Hoesen stated he was "surprised" and "scared". He then returned fire, firing multiple rounds at the passenger. Deputy Van Hoesen told investigators that the passenger continued to run southbound on Brynhurst Avenue and eventually fell to the ground. When the passenger fell to the ground, his head faced south and his feet faced north. He was laying on his left side, still holding his firearm with both hands and was still capable of firing the weapon. Deputy Van Hoesen "followed" the passenger to the ground and continued to fire at him. He continued to fire until his weapon went "dry". He then conducted an "emergency reload". Deputy Van Hoesen told investigators that he believed if he didn't fire fast enough at the suspect, the suspect would shoot at him again. He added that he fired 20 rounds at the suspect. He knew it was 20 rounds due to the fact that his gun magazine held 19 rounds plus the round he had in the chamber of his firearm and stopped firing once the suspect dropped his firearm. Deputy Van Hoesen did not believe he fired his weapon after completing his reload. While the passenger was on the ground, Deputy Van Hoesen "aggressed the threat and moved off line". He then retreated to a parked vehicle that was on the west side of the street and initiated emergency radio traffic, advising that he was just involved in a shooting and the last seen direction of the

suspects vehicle. Deputy Van Hoesen estimated that he and the suspect were approximately seven yards apart when the suspect shot at him.

Once assisting units arrived at the location, units blocked traffic on Brynhurst Avenue and an arrest team was formed. Assisting deputies approached the suspect using a ballistic shield and less lethal weapons and handcuffed the suspect. Deputy Van Hoesen was not part of the arrest team. He also told investigators that during the incident, he did not hear the suspect say anything. Deputy Van Hoesen stated that when he exited his patrol vehicle and followed the suspect onto Brynhurst Avenue, his vehicle faced east. When he returned to his vehicle after the incident he noticed it was facing west and not parked where he originally left it. He added that one of the assisting deputies moved his patrol vehicle and took a position to block traffic onto Brynhurst Avenue.

At the conclusion of the interview, Investigators Lawler and Blagg conducted a round count of Deputy Van Hoesen's firearm used during the incident. During the round count investigators noted that Deputy Van Hoesen carried a departmental approved "Glock 17", 9MM semi-automatic handgun, Serial #[redacted] with an attached "Surefire" light **(Evidence Item Held #30)**. The magazine that was in the firearm during the incident was left at the scene where he dropped it. The magazine he had in the firearm at the time of the interview held 18 rounds. Deputy Van Hoesen explained that he carried expanded magazines which allowed him to carry two additional rounds.

Deputy Van Hoesen had nothing further to add and the interview was terminated.

SEARCH WARRANT ON SUSPECT SIMPSON'S PHONE

On August 1, 2019, when Coroner Investigator Schaffer began her preliminary examination of the body of Suspect Simpson, she recovered a Motorola cellphone in his pants pocket **(Evidence Item Held #SL-1)**. Investigator Lawler took possession of the recovered cellphone and wrote a search warrant to access the phone and have its contents downloaded. The warrant granting access to the phone was signed by the Honorable Judge Lynn D. Olson on August 1, 2019.

CONTACT WITH [redacted] IDENTIFICATION OF OUTSTANDING SUSPECT.

On August 1, 2019, at approximately 1650 hours, Investigator Lawler called and Interviewed [redacted] the registered owner of the Honda Pilot. The phone conversation was audio recorded and the following is a summary of the phone conversation.

[redacted] confirmed that he used to be the registered owner of the tan Honda Pilot but stated he sold the vehicle in either April or May of 2019. He went on to tell Investigator Lawler that he sold the vehicle to a male Black adult who was in his mid-30's and weighed approximately 155 pounds. [redacted] told Investigator Lawler that he sold the vehicle over "PayPal" and believed he still had the male's telephone

number. He stated that he would send Investigator Lawler everything he had regarding the sale of his vehicle via text when he got back to his residence.

[redacted] had nothing further to add and the interview was terminated`.

On August 1, 2019, at approximately 1815 hours, [redacted] sent Investigator Lawler a screen shot of the "PayPal" receipt from the sale of his car. He also sent Investigator Lawler the male Black's cellphone number which was [redacted] Investigator Lawler viewed the "PayPal" receipt and discovered that [redacted] received $970.70 from a [redacted] on March 25, 2019. Investigator Lawler also noted that [redacted] contact information on the "PayPal" receipt was listed as [redacted]

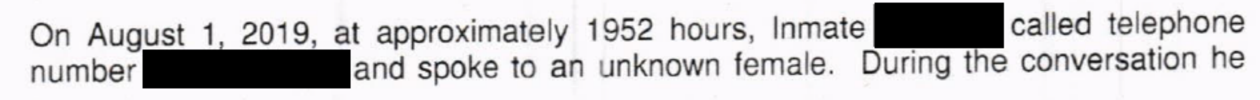
Using the information provided by [redacted] Crime Analyst Hefte was able to determine that the email address of [redacted] and the telephone number of [redacted] were associated with [redacted] MB/[redacted] Crime Analyst Hefte also discovered a telephone call from Inmate [redacted] (Booking #[redacted] to [redacted] using telephone number [redacted] The call occurred on August 1, 2019, at approximately 1715 hours. During the call [redacted] told [redacted] that "he went out like a cowboy." [redacted] replied "isn't that how he always wanted to go out?" and added "little cuz was talking about this same exact shit when I was talking to him a week ago."

A copy of the jail call will be retained and made a permanent part of the investigative file.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM INMATE PHONE SYSTEM:

On August 1, 2019, Crime Analyst Danielle Hefte continued to monitor the Inmate Telephone Monitoring System (ITMS) and discovered Inmate [redacted] made additional jail calls regarding the death of Suspect Simpson.

On August 1, 2019, at approximately 1652 hours, Inmate [redacted] called telephone number [redacted] and spoke to an unknown female. During the conversation, Inmate [redacted] stated 'they killed my kid." And added that he talked to him last week and he told me "you'll never see me in here, I'm going out like Rambo." Inmate [redacted] asked the unknown female "who cuz was in the car with" and she replied "little snow". During the conversation another unknown female is heard in the background asking "did they find anything on him?" Inmate [redacted] stated "sure they found something on him, that's my kid, he ain't gonna go anywhere without it." Inmate [redacted] asked what Suspect Simpson was doing out at two or three in the morning and an unknown female replied that he was coming from the "PLS Check Cashing" store. Inmate [redacted] added "he was on the run, he shouldn't have been out so late."



On August 1, 2019, at approximately 1952 hours, Inmate [redacted] called telephone number [redacted] and spoke to an unknown female. During the conversation he



told her "he's had this shit planned out since I bailed him out last time" and added "he's been talking about going out like this for over a year."

A copy of the jail calls will be retained and made a permanent part of the investigative file.

REVIEW OF SURVEILLANCE VIDEO:

Investigators viewed the surveillance video downloaded by Detective Suarez and noted that the video obtained from [redacted] had no evidentiary value. The system was motioned based and only captured video footage after the incident when patrol units were already on the street.

While viewing the surveillance footage from the residence located at [redacted] investigators noted the following:

Detective Suarez was able to determine that the system time and the actual time were the same.

12:57:53AM- The Honda Pilot appeared on camera, traveling southbound on 71st Street at a high rate of speed.

12:57:58AM- Suspect Simpson appeared on camera, running southbound on the west sidewalk of 71st Street. Deputy Van Hoesen's patrol vehicle appeared as well.

12:58:01AM- Suspect Simpson fell while running southbound on the west sidewalk of 71st Street. He got up and then ran northbound on 71st Street along the west sidewalk and out of view.

12:58:04AM- Deputy Van Hoesen exited his patrol vehicle and ran northbound on 71st Street and out of view.

A copy of the video surveillance footage from the residences located at [redacted] and [redacted] will be retained and made a permanent part of the investigative file.

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION:

On August 4, 2019, at approximately 1340 hours, Investigator Blagg attended the postmortem examination conducted on the remains of Suspect Simpson. The examination was performed at the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office by Doctor Miller.

At the conclusion of the examination, Doctor Miller ruled the death of Suspect Simpson as homicide due to multiple gunshot wounds.

Doctor Miller prepared an autopsy report detailing his actions and observations. A copy of the report will be retained and made a permanent part of the investigative file.

INTERVIEW OF DEPUTY KEVIN HONEA:

On August 7, 2019, at approximately 1354 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg interviewed Deputy Kevin Honea in a conference room at the South Los Angeles Sheriff's Station. The interview was audio recorded, and the following is a summary of the interview.

On August 1, 2019, Deputy Honea was assigned to South Los Angeles Station Summer Crime Enforcement Team, unit #30W4 along with Deputy Daniel Gonzalez. He started his shift at either [redacted] hours or [redacted] hours on July 31, 2019, and was to work ten hours. He was clad in a Sheriff's Class A uniform along with his gun belt. He and Deputy Gonzalez were operating a marked Sheriff's patrol unit. He was the driver and Deputy Gonzalez was the passenger ("bookman").

He said while he and Deputy Gonzalez were on patrol in the area of Imperial Highway and Denker Avenue, he heard Deputy Van Hoesen initiate an emergency radio broadcast stating he had been involved in a shooting in the area of 71st Street and Brynhurst Avenue, Los Angeles. He said he and Deputy Gonzalez responded to that location Code-3 (emergency lights and siren). He said it took them approximately two to three minutes to get to that location.

He said they approached north on Brynhurst Avenue from Florence Avenue and saw Deputy Van Hoesen, along with several other deputies, standing on Brynhurst Avenue holding the suspect, who was laying on the ground, at gun point. He said the suspect was laying in the middle of the street and he saw a black semi-automatic pistol on the ground near the suspect's left hand.

He said he obtained a trauma kit from the trunk of his patrol vehicle and then went to where the other deputies were positioned, north of the suspect. He said the deputies were devising a tactical plan on how to approach the suspect. He said the tactical plan included the use of a ballistic shield, who would provide lethal cover, who would handcuff the suspect, and who would be rendering medical aid to the suspect. He said he was designated to provide medical aid to the suspect.

He said once a sergeant arrived with a ballistic shield, he and the other deputies approached the suspect. He said deputies moved the suspect's body from the pistol and then the suspect was handcuffed. He then provided medical aid to the suspect. He saw the suspect had numerous gunshot wounds to his right arm and upper torso. He said he cut the suspect's shirt from his body and applied trauma dressings to some of the wounds and a tourniquet to his right arm. He said members of the Los Angeles City Fire Department arrived at the location and took over medical care of the suspect.

Investigators asked him what type of emergency trauma training he had received. He said while he was a member of the United States Marine Corps, he received training in



treating battlefield injuries including gunshot wounds. He said he had also received trauma training through the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. He said during his time on the Sheriff's Department, he had treated several victims of gunshot wounds in the field. Investigators asked him if he had recognized the suspect from any prior contacts, and he said he had not.

He had nothing more to add, and the interview was concluded.

INTERVIEW OF DEPUTY ERIC CHAPPELL:

On August 7, 2019, at approximately 1415 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg interviewed Deputy Eric Chappell in a conference room at the South Los Angeles Sheriff's Station. The interview was audio recorded, and the following is a summary of the interview.

On August 1, 2019, Deputy Chappell was assigned to South Los Angeles Station Summer Crime Enforcement Team, unit #30W2 along with Deputy Jorge Ortiz. He started his shift at approximately [redacted] hours on July 31, 2019, and was to work [redacted] hours. He was clad in a Sheriff's Class A uniform along with his gun belt. He and Deputy Ortiz were operating a marked Sheriff's patrol unit. He was the driver and Deputy Ortiz was the passenger ("bookman").

He said he and his partner were in the station parking lot near the jail when he heard emergent radio traffic being broadcast by unit 30W1, Deputy Van Hoesen, advising that he had just been involved in a shooting in the area of 71st Street and Brynhurst Avenue. He said that Deputy Ortiz placed the suspect they had in their vehicle inside the jail, and then they responded to Deputy Van Hoesen's location, Code 3 (emergency lights and siren). He said it took them three to four minutes to arrive at the location.

He said when he and Deputy Ortiz arrived at the scene, he saw Deputy Van Hoesen and several other deputies standing on the west side of Brynhurst Avenue, just south of 71st Street. He said the deputies were pointing their weapons at the suspect, who was laying on the street south of the deputies. He said the suspect was laying on his left side with his head to the south and his feet to the north. He saw a black semi-automatic pistol laying on the street near the suspect's left hand.

He said Deputy Van Hoesen had stated the suspect had shot at him prior to he (Van Hoesen) shooting the suspect. He said he and Deputy Ortiz formulated a tactical approach plan in order to take the suspect into custody and medically treat his wounds. He said Deputy Ike was designated to carry the ballistic shield, Deputy Porras was designated as the less lethal option utilizing a 40mm launcher, he and Deputy Ortiz were designated as the lethal option by utilizing their pistols, Deputy Seno was designated as the radio man, Deputy Gonzalez was designated as the arrest team to handcuff the suspect, and Deputy Honea was designated to render medical aid to the suspect. He said they had to wait for the field sergeant to arrive at the scene because the ballistic shield and 40mm launcher were stored inside the sergeant's vehicle.

He said when they approached, he saw the suspect was suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. Deputy Gonzalez handcuffed the suspect and Deputy Honea rendered medical aid. He said that none of the deputies moved the pistol from where it was laying. He said someone then radioed for fire department personnel, who had been staging close by, to respond to the scene. He said fire personnel arrived and took over the medical treatment of the suspect. He said the suspect was pronounced dead at the scene.

He said he and other deputies then checked the area for evidence and he designated deputies to establish a perimeter to secure the scene.

Investigators asked him if he heard the suspect saying anything, and he said the suspect did not move or say anything during his encounter with him. Investigators asked him if he had recognized the suspect from any prior contacts, and he said he had not.

He had nothing more to add, and the interview was concluded.

INTERVIEW OF DEPUTY DANIEL GONZALEZ:

On August 7, 2019, at approximately 1434 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg interviewed Deputy Daniel Gonzalez in a conference room at the South Los Angeles Sheriff's Station. The interview was audio recorded, and the following is a summary of the interview.

On August 1, 2019, Deputy Gonzalez was assigned to South Los Angeles Station Summer Crime Enforcement Team, unit #30W4 along with Deputy Kevin Honea. He started his shift at approximately [redacted] hours on July 31, 2019, and was to work [redacted] hours. He was clad in a Sheriff's Class A uniform along with his gun belt. He and Deputy Honea were operating a marked Sheriff's patrol unit. Deputy Honea the driver and he was the passenger ("bookman").

He said he and Deputy Honea were patrolling the area of Imperial Highway and Denker Avenue when he heard Deputy Van Hoesen broadcast emergent radio traffic advising he had just been involved in a shooting of an armed suspect and was at 71st Street and Brynhurst Avenue. He said he and Deputy Honea responded to that location Code 3 (emergency lights and siren). He believed it took them approximately two minutes to arrive at the location.

He said he and Deputy Honea drove north on Brynhurst Avenue from Florence Avenue and saw Deputy Van Hoesen detaining the suspect, who was laying on the street, at gunpoint. He said Deputy Van Hoesen had taken cover behind a vehicle that was parked on the west side of the street. He said the suspect's head was to the south and his feet were to the north. He saw a semi-automatic pistol laying on the street a few inches from the suspect's left hand. He said the suspect did not appear to be responsive. He heard deputies shouting at the suspect to lay on his stomach, but there was no response. He said he saw other deputies were at the location as well.



He said he approached Deputy Van Hoesen on the west curb line. He said additional deputies arrived at the location and a tactical plan was initiated to safely approach the suspect, take him into custody and render medical aid. He said that he and Deputies Honea, Chappell, Ortiz, Porras and Ike were part of the arrest team. He said he was designated as going hands on with the suspect to handcuff him. He was not sure exactly what deputies were assigned the other tasks as part of the tactical approach plan, but knew that all of the options were covered. He said it took approximately four minutes from forming the team to approaching the suspect.

He said the team approached the suspect from the west and he then grabbed the suspect's left hand and rolled him onto his stomach away from the pistol. He then handcuffed the suspect's hands behind his back. He said he then assisted Deputy Honea with rendering medical aid to the suspect by assessing the injuries and bandaging one of the gunshot wounds to the suspect's arm. He said fire personnel then arrived at the location to take over medical treatment of the suspect.

Investigators asked him if he had recognized the suspect from any prior contacts, and he said he had not.

He had nothing more to add and the interview was concluded.

DOWNLOAD OF SUSPECT SIMPSON'S CELLPHONE:

On August 7, 2019, Investigator Lawler received the results of the search warrant authored for Suspect Simpson's cellphone. While viewing the results of Suspect Simpson's cellphone download, Investigator Lawler noted that there were numerous photographs of Suspect Simpson exhibiting gang hand signs. There was also a photograph of Suspect Simpson posing while holding a black semi-automatic handgun.

While viewing the call history of Suspect Simpson's cellphone, Investigator Lawler noted that On August 1, 2019, at approximately 12:44:53AM, Suspect Simpson had a missed call from someone named [redacted] with a telephone number of [redacted] Suspect Simpson also had an incoming call from [redacted] at 12:45:30AM on August 1, 2019, that lasted for 49 seconds and three outgoing calls to [redacted] on August 1, 2019. The first outgoing call occurred at 12:48:47AM and lasted for 18 seconds, then an outgoing call at 12:55:25AM that lasted for 36 seconds followed by an outgoing call at 12:56:46AM that lasted for 22 seconds. Investigator Lawler also noted there were two more outgoing calls to telephone number [redacted] on August 1, 2019. The first occurred at 12:56:12AM and the second occurred at 12:56:27AM. Both calls lasted for seven seconds.

Crime Analyst Daniele Hefte was able to determine that telephone number [redacted] that was listed as [redacted] was associated with a female named [redacted] and the telephone number [redacted] was associated with a [redacted] Suspect Simpson's [redacted]

Investigator Lawler determined that telephone number [redacted] that Inmate



[redacted] called on August 1, 2019, was stored in Suspect Simpson's cellphone as [redacted]

A copy of the download of Suspect Simpson's cellphone will be retained and made a permanent part of the investigative file.

SEARCH WARRANT ON [redacted] TELEPHONE NUMBER:

After obtaining [redacted] cellphone number from [redacted] and from the ITMS monitoring system, Investigator Blagg authored a search warrant to obtain subscriber information as well as call detail records and cellular site location for telephone number [redacted] The search warrant was signed by the Honorable Judge Armenie Amy Ashvanian on August 8, 2019.

LOCATING OUTSTANDING SUSPECTS VEHICLE:

Investigators Lawler and Blagg ensured that the tan Honda Pilot, bearing California License [redacted] was entered into law enforcement data bases. On August 21, 2019, investigators were made aware that the vehicle's license was ran by a Los Angeles Police Department unit while it was parked in front of [redacted] At approximately 1130 hours on August 21, 2019, Investigators Lawler and Blagg responded to [redacted] in Los Angles and observed the vehicle parked there. While inspecting the vehicle, investigators noted that the vehicle was unlocked and it was extremely dirty. It appeared as if it had been abandoned. Investigators arranged for the vehicle to be towed and held as evidence.

Investigators canvassed the neighboring residences and were unable to determine if the vehicle was associated to anyone.

INFORMATION REGARDING [redacted]

On August 23, 2019, Investigators Lawler and Blagg met with a [redacted] who stated he/she had information regarding the attempted murder of Deputy Van Hoesen and knew the whereabouts of [redacted] who he/she stated was the driver that fled during the incident. He/she also stated that he/she was present during a meeting with [redacted] and a private investigator. He/she told investigators that the private investigator worked with the lawyer who had been retained by the family of Suspect Simpson. He/she also told investigators that Jamaal Simpson's [redacted] was a woman named [redacted] and that prior to the incident with Deputy Van Hoesen, Suspect Simpson was at a check cashing store and attempted to pass "dirty checks". He/she audio recorded the meeting and later provided the recording to investigators.

A copy of the recording will be retained and made a permanent part of the investigative file.



INTERVIEW OF [redacted]

On August 28, 2019, at approximately 0916 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg interviewed [redacted] Also present during the interview was Officer [redacted] with the Inglewood Police Department. The interview took place in a conference room at the Inglewood Police Department and was audio recorded. [redacted] came to the Inglewood Police Station voluntarily and left shortly after the interview was completed.

During the interview he told investigators he was the driver of the vehicle when his [redacted] Jamaal Simpson was "murdered". He went on to tell investigators that while driving his Honda Pilot, with Suspect Simpson in the front passenger seat, a Sheriff's unit attempted to pull them over. Suspect Simpson withdrew a black semi-automatic handgun from his front right pocket and told him not to stop the vehicle. He added that he knew Suspect Simpson to carry guns on his person. While on Prairie Avenue, he attempted to pull his vehicle over. Suspect Simpson told him "I'm not going back to jail, I'm ready to shoot it out with the police." [redacted] also heard Suspect Simpson click the safety off on his firearm. [redacted] also told investigators that while fleeing from the deputy that was attempting to pull him over, Suspect Simpson called his [redacted] While on the phone with [redacted] heard Suspect Simpson tell her that he was involved in a high speed chase and he wasn't going to go back to jail. [redacted] added that Suspect Simpson was acting erratic while they were in the vehicle together.

Investigators had the interview with [redacted] transcribed. They later proof read the transcription to ensure accuracy. A copy of the transcribed interview will be retained and made a permanent part of the investigative file.

SEARCH WARRANT WRITTEN FOR PLS CHECK CASHING STORE:

Investigators determined that the "PLS" check cashing store that Suspect Simpson went to prior to the attempted murder of Deputy Van Hoesen was located at 10048 Hawthorne Boulevard. On August 27, 2019, a warrant signed by the Honorable Judge Kerry White was signed to obtain the video surveillance footage from the 'PLS" check cashing store.

After reviewing the surveillance footage from the "PLS" Check Cashing Store, located at 10048 Hawthorne Boulevard, investigators noted the following:

At 4:42:43 into the video marked "outside left" the tan Honda Pilot pulled into the parking lot and parked in front of the store.

At 5:09:22 into the video marked "outside left", Suspect Simpson exited the front passenger seat of the tan Honda Pilot and entered the store.

At 5:10:57 into the video marked "outside left", Suspect Simpson exited the store and entered the tan Honda Pilot.



At 5:48:33 into the video marked "outside left", the tan Honda Pilot exited the store parking lot and drove out of view.

At 5:09:49 into the video marked "corral", Suspect Simpson entered the store and began to pace around.

At 5:10:46:46 into the video marked "corral", Suspect Simpson began talking on his cellphone and left the store.

SEARCH OF SUSPECTS VEHICLE:

On August 28, 2019, Investigators Lawler and Blagg searched the tan Honda Pilot, bearing California License [redacted] which had been towed to City Terrace Tow in Los Angeles. The warrant granting access to search the vehicle was signed by the Honorable Judge Kerry White on August 27, 2019. Forensic Identification Specialist Michael Bayer was present when the search occurred and photographed the vehicle. No evidence was recovered during the search of the vehicle.

INTERVIEW OF DEPUTY DANIEL IKE:

On September 11, 2019, at approximately 1350 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg interviewed Deputy Daniel Ike in a conference room at the Rail Operations Center for the Transit Services Bureau. The interview was audio recorded, and the following is a summary of the interview.

On August 1, 2019, Deputy Ike was assigned to South Los Angeles Station unit #32A along with Deputy Jesse Ojeda. He started his shift at approximately [redacted] hours on July 31, 2019, and was to work [redacted] hours. He was clad in a Sheriff's Class A uniform along with his gun belt. He and Deputy Ojeda were operating a marked Sheriff's patrol unit. Deputy Ojeda was the driver and he was the passenger ("bookman").

He said while he and Deputy Ojeda were patrolling the area of Hawthorne Boulevard and 111th Street, he heard Deputy Van Hoesen broadcast emergent radio traffic stating he had just been involved in a shooting. He and Deputy Ojeda responded to Deputy Van Hoesen's location and it took them between five to ten minutes to arrive. He said when they arrived, he saw several other deputies were there. He saw the suspect lying motionless on the street approximately twenty yards south of where he was at on the southwest corner of 71st Street and Brynhurst Avenue. He saw a black semi-automatic pistol laying on the street next to the suspect.

He said a tactical approach plan was devised utilizing him and Deputies Rodriguez, Porras, Honea as the team. He said he was designated to carry the ballistic shield, Deputy Porras was armed with a less lethal (40mm launcher) weapon, and Rodriguez and Honea were designated to contact the suspect to handcuff him and render medical aid. He said the team approached the suspect and he was handcuffed. He said medical aid was then rendered to the suspect until fire personnel arrived. He said that concluded his involvement in the incident.



Investigators asked him if he had recognized the suspect from any prior contacts, and he said he had not.

He had nothing more to add, and the interview was concluded.

INTERVIEW WITH DEPUTY MATTHEW SENO:

On September 9, 2019, at approximately 0615 hours, Investigator Lawler interviewed Deputy Matthew Seno at Sheriff's Homicide Bureau. The interview was audio recorded and the following is a summary of the interview.

On August 1, 2019, Deputy Seno was assigned to Marina Del Ray Station as unit#273, along with Deputy Raymond Johnson. He started his shift at approximately [redacted] hours on July 31, 2019 and his shift was to end at [redacted] hours on August 1, 2019. He was clad in a Sheriff's Class A uniform along with his gun belt. During his shift, he and Deputy Johnson operated a marked Sheriff's patrol unit. Deputy Johnson was the driver and he was the passenger (bookman). He added that he and Deputy Johnson were assigned to South Los Angeles Sheriff's Station but on loan to Marina Del ray Station.

While in the area of Crenshaw Boulevard and Slauson Avenue, Deputy Seno heard emergent radio traffic broadcasted by Deputy Van Hoesen. Deputy Van Hoesen advised that he had just been involved in a deputy involved shooting, he was detaining one suspect at gun point and another suspect had fled the scene. Upon hearing the radio traffic he and Deputy Johnson responded code-3 to the intersection of 71st Street and Brynhurst Avenue. He estimated that it took them 25-30 seconds to arrive at the location and added that they were the first assisting units to arrive on scene.

Upon arriving at the scene, Deputy Seno and Deputy Johnson parked their patrol vehicle next to Deputy Van Hoesen's patrol vehicle which was on 71st Street, south of Bryhurst Avenue, facing east. He described parking "cage to cage" with Deputy Van Hoesen's vehicle. He also stated he observed a firearm next to the suspects hand who was laying on the ground of Brynhurst Avenue. Deputy Seno had driven on Brynhurst Avenue numerous times and knew it was busy with drug and gang activity. He therefore entered Deputy Van Hoesen's parol vehicle and moved it to Florence Avenue and Brynhurst Avenue to block any oncoming traffic and preserve the crime scene. Once additional assisting units arrived at the scene, Deputy Seno was relieved and he re-parked Deputy Van Hoesen's patrol vehicle. He stated he re-parked the vehicle were Deputy Van Hoesen originally parked it but did not know if he re-parked the vehicle facing the original way. After he re-parked the vehicle he joined the other deputies on Brynhurst Avenue and took over the responsibility of broadcasting radio traffic.

Deputy Seno told Investigator Lawler that a plan was developed to safely approach the suspect and to take him into custody. He added that once the suspect was handcuffed he was rolled over to his side and one of the deputies on the arrest team began to administer first aide. He added that once paramedics arrived at the scene, he began to ensure that door knocks were completed and evidence was preserved. Deputy Seno

stated that he did not recognize the suspect and did not have any prior contacts with him.

Deputy Seno had nothing further to add and the interview was terminated.

ATTEMPT TO CONTACT [redacted]

On September 10, 2019, at approximately 1235 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg responded to [redacted] which was [redacted] address with the DMV. [redacted] was not home at the time, however Investigators spoke with her [redacted]

Mrs. [redacted] confirmed to investigators that her [redacted] and Suspect Simpson had been in a dating relationship for approximately one year. She stated that the only thing she knew about the incident involving Suspect Simpson was that he called her [redacted] and told her "he was about to die". Mrs. [redacted] told investigators that she did not like Suspect Simpson and called him "the devil". She also told investigators that she knew Suspect Simpson to have a firearm and added that her [redacted] did not like law enforcement and would run if she were to see us.

Investigators gave Mrs. [redacted] their business cards and asked her to have her [redacted] call them when she arrived home.

SEARCH WARRANT FOR TELEPHONE NUMBERS [redacted] AND [redacted]

Based on the telephone calls that Suspect Simpson made from his cellphone while fleeing from Deputy Van Hoesen, Investigator Lawler authored a search warrant to obtain subscriber information, call detail history and GPS locations for telephone numbers [redacted] and [redacted] The warrant was signed by the Honorable Judge Kerry White on September 13, 2019. Investigators were able to determine that telephone number [redacted] was in fact registered to [redacted]

INTERVIEW WITH [redacted]

On September 18, 2019, at approximately 1500 hours, Investigators Lawler and Blagg interviewed [redacted] The interview took place at the South Los Angeles Sheriff Station, where she was in-custody on [redacted] and was audio recorded. The following is a summary of the interview.

After obtaining [redacted] personal information and explaining to her the purpose of the interview, she informed investigators that she and Suspect Simpson had been in a [redacted] for approximately one year and the last time she spoke to him was "two seconds before he died".

[redacted] went on to explain to investigators that she last saw Suspect Simpson on July 31, 2019, at approximately 1900 hours. She added that Suspect Simpson walked



to her house, stayed a short time and then left on foot. While he was at her residence, she gave him fifteen dollars. Later on in the evening she texted him and he told her that he was playing video games with friends. He told her that he would come back to her house and pick her up. She therefore packed an overnight bag, in case the two stayed in a hotel someplace. After calling her to tell her that he would pick her up, Suspect Simpson called her and told her that he was involved in "a high speed chase". During the conversation she heard another males voice in the background. Suspect Simpson told her "I love you" and added "I'm finna die". [redacted] told investigators that she went outside her residence and heard gunshots. A short time later [redacted] (Suspect Simpson's [redacted] called her and told her "they killed Jamaal".

Investigators confronted [redacted] with the fact that they had authored a search warrant on Suspect Simpson's cellphone and noted three telephone calls between the two during the time he was fleeing Deputy Van Hoesen. She claimed they only spoke once and the other calls must have taken place prior to the "high speed pursuit". She added that during their conversation, Suspect Simpson sounded "scared" and he was "crying". [redacted] told investigators that prior to the shooting, he was at a "check cashing place, trying to get some money".

[redacted] told investigators that during their [redacted] she had never seen Suspect Simpson with a firearm. She added that during the incident, Suspect Simpson was with [redacted] She stated that she had never met [redacted] but had heard about him. [redacted] told investigators that she did not recall if Suspect Simpson told her goodbye while talking to her on the phone. She only remembered that he told her that he was in a "high speed chase and he was gonna die".

[redacted] had nothing further to add and the interview was terminated.

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Re: Fatal Officer Involved Shooting of Jamaal Simpson
J.S.I.D. File # 19-0327
L.A.S.D. File # 019-00618-0399-013

Dear Captain Mendoza,

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the August 1, 2019, fatal shooting of Jamaal Simpson by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Deputy Gregory Van Hoesen. Our detailed analysis of this incident is contained in the attached memorandum.

Very truly yours,

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The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the August 1, 2019 fatal shooting of Jamaal Simpson by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Deputy Gregory Van Hoesen, Serial #[redacted] We have concluded that Van Hoesen acted in lawful self-defense at the time he fired his weapon.

The District Attorney's Command Center was notified of this shooting on August 1, 2019, at approximately 2:15 a.m. The District Attorney Response Team responded to the location. They were given a briefing and walk-through of the scene by LASD Lieutenant Brandon Dean.

The following analysis is based on surveillance video, reports, recorded interviews, photographs, dispatch recordings, and medical records. These materials were submitted to this office by the LASD Homicide Bureau.

INTRODUCTION

On August 1, 2019, shortly before 1:00 a.m., Van Hoesen attempted a traffic stop of a tan Honda Pilot for expired registration. After a short pursuit, the Honda stopped in the street and the front passenger, later identified as Jamaal Simpson, ran out of the Honda, past Van Hoesen's patrol car, and drew a handgun from his front waistband. Van Hoesen exited his patrol car and chased after Simpson.

As he was running away, Simpson turned in Van Hoesen's direction and fired a round at him. Van Hoesen heard the round "whiz" by and returned fire from seven yards away, hitting Simpson 17 times, killing him. Simpson was pronounced dead on scene at 1:18 a.m. by Los Angeles Fire personnel.

An empty .40 caliber semiautomatic handgun was found next to Simpson. Also in the vicinity were one .40 caliber shell casing and 20 9mm shell casings. In the path Simpson had run was a

.40 caliber magazine loaded with ten rounds. Simpson's DNA was on the .40 caliber handgun, and gunshot residue was found on his right hand.

FACTUAL ANALYSIS

Voluntary Statement of Van Hoesen

Van Hoesen provided the following voluntary statement. Van Hoesen had been a deputy sheriff for seven years. During the incident he was working a single person marked black and white patrol car with a light bar and spotlights. He was wearing a standard LASD uniform.

Van Hoesen was stopped at a red light on Century Boulevard when he ran the plate of a tan Honda Pilot in front of him. Finding its registration expired, he tried to conduct a traffic stop. The Honda, at first, signaled and pulled over to the shoulder but then sped off when Van Hoesen stopped behind it. Van Hoesen followed. The Honda fled eastbound on 67th Street, made a right turn (south) onto Brynhurst Avenue, and then turned left (east) onto 71st Street. The Honda stopped on 71st Street, and Van Hoesen stopped behind it.

The front passenger (later identified as Jamaal Simpson) exited the Honda and ran toward the south sidewalk of 71st Street, clutching his waistband. Simpson then ran west on 71st Street. Van Hoesen got out of his car and ordered Simpson to "Stop!" which Simpson ignored. Van Hoesen ran to the back of his patrol car with his gun drawn watching Simpson. At some point, the Honda drove away.

As Simpson was running away on 71st Street, Van Hoesen saw him draw a black handgun from his front waistband. Van Hoesen became scared. He did not know where the Honda had gone and feared that Simpson and the Honda driver would try to form an "L shaped ambush." Van Hoesen again ordered Simpson to "Stop!" which Simpson ignored. Van Hoesen ran after Simpson onto Brynhurst Avenue. He pursued Simpson because he was concerned that Simpson was running with a gun in a neighborhood and might attempt to barricade himself in a house. Van Hoesen wanted to see where Simpson fled in order to set up a containment area to catch Simpson.

As Simpson was running with the gun in his right hand on Brynhurst Avenue, he "reached back," "blading his body," and fired one round at Van Hoesen from a distance of seven yards. Van Hoesen saw Simpson's face, the muzzle of Simpson's gun pointed at him, and the muzzle flash when Simpson fired. Van Hoesen heard the "whizz" of the round travel past him.

Van Hoesen returned fire at Simpson. Simpson fell to the ground on his left side but still held the gun and appeared able to fire back. Van Hoesen continued to fire until his gun went "dry."

Van Hoesen said, "I aggressed the threat. Seeing that he still had the firearm and was capable of shooting at me and was moving—and this was all simultaneous—So I'm aggressing the threat,

he's falling, and I'm shooting. I moved off-line and continued to fire. As I did that, I saw him drop the weapon and roll to his back ... simultaneously my weapon went dry." Asked how many shots he fired, Van Hoesen answered, "Oh, I fired a magazine ... which would have been 19 plus one."[1]

Van Hoesen fired as fast as he could. He was "terrified" for his life and "engag[ed] the threat until [he] saw that [Simpson] was no longer a threat." He said, "I thought that if I didn't fire fast enough, and engage him fast enough, he was going to get off another round." Van Hoesen stopped firing when Simpson dropped his gun. Van Hoesen quickly reloaded—dropping the empty magazine and leaving it on the ground—but fired no more rounds. Van Hoesen took shelter behind a parked car and radioed that he had just been involved in a shooting.

Surveillance Video

One video camera, pointing south on 71st Street, captures the beginning of the incident but not the exchange of gunfire, on Brynhurst Avenue. A car, apparently the Honda, drives in and out of view on 71st Street, traveling east, followed seconds later by Van Hoesen's patrol car, which stops in the middle of 71st Street, in view of the camera. A male figure, apparently Simpson, flashes across the screen running west along the south sidewalk of 71st Street, toward Brynhurst Avenue. Van Hoesen gets out of his patrol car, appears to point his weapon, and runs after Simpson. The video quality is poor.



Figure 1: The Honda driving east on 71st Street.

[1] Twenty 9mm casings were recovered from the scene.



Figure 2: Van Hoesen running west after Simpson and pointing his gun.

Scene Photos and Evidence Recovered

After the incident, Simpson came to rest on Brynhurst Avenue near 71st Street. His head was facing south toward Florence Avenue, and his feet were facing north toward 71st Street. A .40 caliber semiautomatic handgun (item 3), 20 9mm casings, one .40 caliber casing, and an empty brown 9mm Glock magazine (item 11) lay near Simpson. A .40 caliber magazine (item 1) loaded with ten rounds lay on the sidewalk on 71st Street, in the path Simpson had run from the Honda.

The brown Glock 9mm magazine appears to have been dropped by Van Hoesen when he reloaded his weapon. It is identical to the magazine found in his Glock afterward, including the marking "VAN."

The .40 caliber magazine on 71st Street appears to be from Simpson's weapon, as it contained no magazine, the calibers match, and the magazine lay in the path Simpson traveled as seen in the video.

The one .40 caliber casing and 20 9mm casings on scene are consistent with Van Hoesen's statement that Simpson fired one shot and he fired his full magazine.

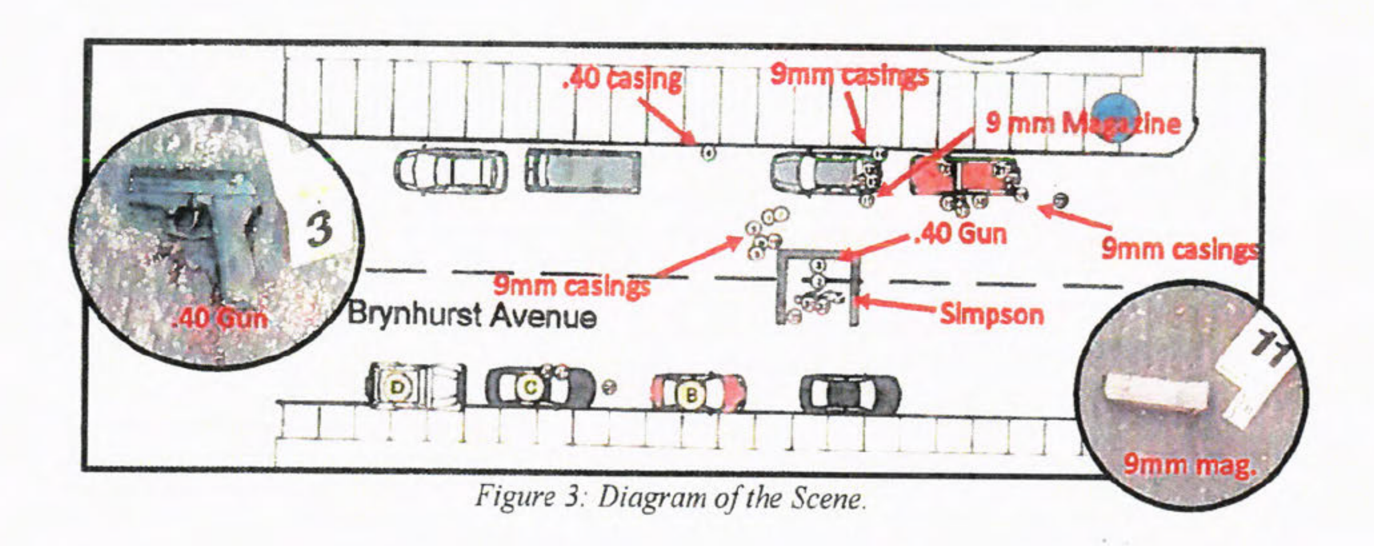


Figure 3: Diagram of the Scene.

Figure 4: Diagram of the Scene.



Figure 5: Van Hoesen's weapon and magazine after the incident.

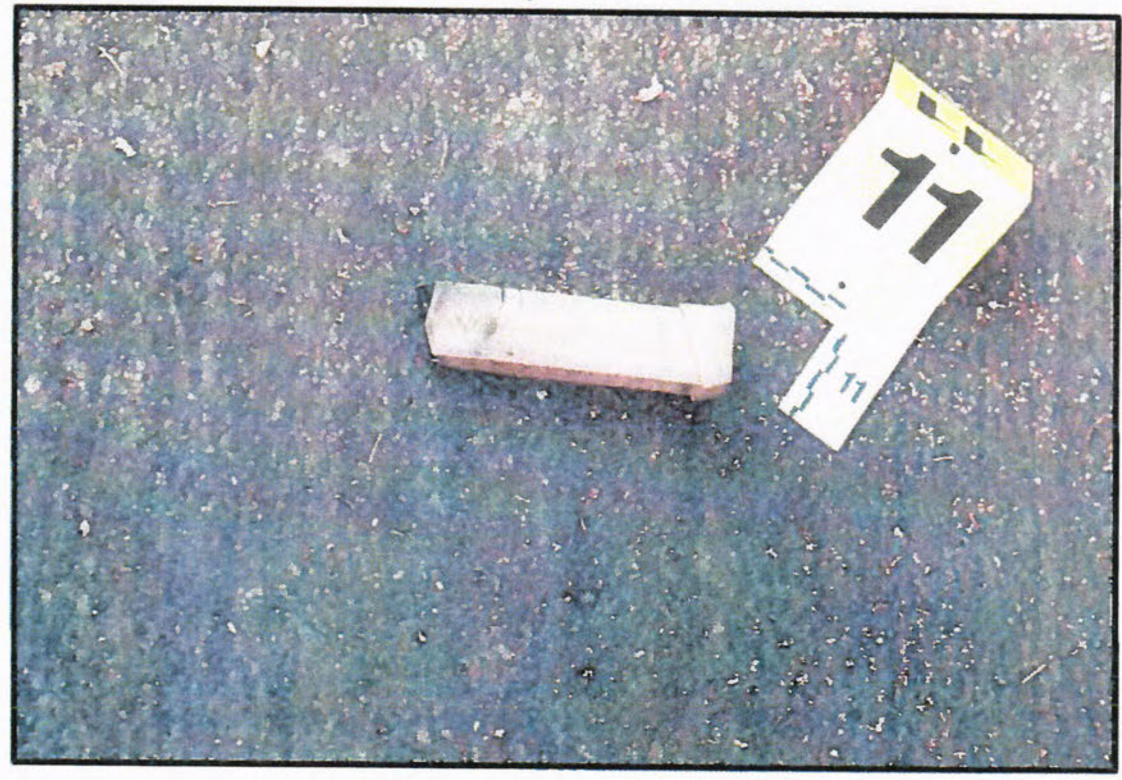


Figure 6: Glock magazine recovered at the scene.



Figure 7: Scene of the shooting, looking south on Brynhurst Avenue.



Figure 8: Scene of the shooting, looking west on Brynhurst Avenue.



Figure 9: Scene of the shooting, looking south on Brynhurst Avenue.

Statement of Deputy Mathew Seno

Seno and his partner, Deputy Raymond Johnson, were the first assisting units to arrive after the incident. Seno heard Van Hoesen's radio broadcast that he had been involved in a shooting and had one suspect detained at gun point. Seno and Johnson arrived to the scene approximately 30 seconds after Van Hoesen's broadcast. Seno saw a suspect lying on Brynhurst Avenue with a gun next to his hand.

Statement of [redacted]

[redacted] was the [redacted] of the Honda Pilot. Investigators called [redacted] and he provided the following statement. [redacted] previously owned the Honda but sold it in April or May 2019 via PayPal. [redacted] gave investigators the PayPal receipt of the transaction and the phone number of the person who bought the car. Investigators determined that the buyer was a man named [redacted] and that [redacted] had received a phone call from Los Angeles County Jail inmate [redacted] shortly after the incident. [redacted] is heard on multiple recorded jail calls apparently discussing the incident.

Jail Calls

On August 1, 2019, at 4:52 p.m., [redacted] said to an unknown woman, "I just talked to cuz last week and he told me, 'I promise you big bro, you ain't going to see me in there, I'm going out like Rambo.'" [redacted] asked, "Who was cuz in the car with?" The woman replied, [redacted] Later [redacted] said, "I'm sure they found something … He my kid. He ain't going to go without it."

At 5:15 p.m., [redacted] called [redacted] and they appeared to discuss the incident. [redacted] told [redacted] apparently of Simpson, "He went out like a cowboy." [redacted] replied that the only thing keeping him [redacted] together was knowing that "cuz went out how he said he wanted to go out."

At 7:52 p.m., [redacted] called another unknown woman and said, "He's been having this shit planned out since I bailed him out the first time." Later he added, "He's been talking about it for a year now. He said, 'I ain't going back; I'm going out like Rambo.'"

Interview of [redacted]

On August 28, 2019, [redacted] provided the following statement to investigators. [redacted] was [redacted] with Simpson. They grew up in the same neighborhood and had known each other for over ten years. [redacted] sometimes went by the moniker "[redacted] picked up Simpson the night of the incident to give him a ride to a check cashing store. After leaving the store, [redacted] was driving Simpson back home when they encountered a sheriff's patrol SUV. [redacted] was on Century stopped at a red light waiting in the left turn lane to turn northbound onto Prairie Avenue. The deputy pulled his patrol vehicle alongside [redacted] in the number one lane and shined his light on Simpson, who was sitting in the front passenger seat.

[redacted] turned left. Following behind, the deputy turned on his red and blue lights. [redacted] began slowing down to pull over, but Simpson told him to keep driving and removed a black handgun from his pocket and put it on his lap. Simpson said he "wasn't going back to jail," that he was "ready to shoot it out with the police." [redacted] thought that it was a "bad situation" because "the first thing [the police] are going to do is defend themselves and fire." [redacted] heard Simpson do something to the gun that made it "click."

[redacted] briefly came to a stop on Prairie Avenue but then "ended up flooring it" as the deputy was "directly" behind him. [redacted] drove northbound on Prairie Avenue and crossed Manchester Avenue—running a red light—reaching speeds of "70 or 80 miles per hour." Meanwhile, [redacted] heard Simpson call his [redacted] and tell her that they were in a high speed chase. Simpson apologized and told her he was going to run and was not going back to jail. Simpson was "panicking" and acting "erratic."

[redacted] stopped the car on Brynhurst Avenue at 71st Street. He saw both doors of the deputy's car open and heard Simpson run out of his car. He did not see where Simpson ran; he only heard "feet." [redacted] made a left turn onto 71st Street and drove away.

Autopsy

Simpson was pronounced dead on scene by Los Angeles Fire Department Personnel at 1:18 a.m. On August 4, 2019, an autopsy was conducted by Dr. Matthew Miller. Dr. Miller ascribed the cause of death as gunshot wounds. Simpson suffered 17 gunshot wounds, including fatal shots to the side of his neck and four to his chest that pierced his heart and lungs. Nine projectiles were recovered from Simpson's body.

DNA Evidence

The LASD Scientific Services Bureau (SSB) attempted to analyze DNA from the recovered .40 caliber handgun, magazine, and live rounds.

Blood stains on the left side of the gun (on the slide) and gun grip contained one contributor, whose DNA was statistically 1×10^{32} times more likely to be Simpson's than a random person's, "very strong support," according to SSB, that the DNA came from Simpson. Likewise, blood on the trigger was analyzed and Simpson was found to be a 93 percent contributor by a statistical likelihood that it was 9×10^{31} times more likely to be Simpson's DNA than a random person's—again, "very strong support."

The magazine had at least five DNA contributors and was not suitable for interpretation. The rounds inside the magazine contained insufficient DNA material for analysis.

Firearm Ballistics Evidence

The SSB examined the .40 caliber handgun, magazine, and casing and determined the following. First, the handgun was test fired with the magazine, and they both functioned properly together.[2] Second, the casing was fired by that firearm according to ballistic testing.

Eight of the nine projectiles recovered from Simpson's body were analyzed and matched Van Hoesen's service weapon; the ninth was a lead bullet core unsuitable for analysis. Twenty 9 mm casings were recovered from the scene, the same number of rounds Van Hoesen's weapon contained prior to the incident. The 9 mm casings were not ballistically analyzed.

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[2] Although the firearm was tested only with the magazine inserted, semiautomatic firearms are capable of firing without a magazine inserted.

Gunshot Residue

Simpson's right hand contained particles of lead, antimony, and barium, which are "highly indicative" of coming from the discharge of a firearm.

THE LAW

California law permits deadly force in self-defense or defense of others if the person claiming the defense actually and reasonably believed that he or others were in imminent danger of great bodily injury or death. Penal Code § 197; *People v. Randle* (2005) 35 Cal.4th 987, 994 (overruled on another ground in *People v. Chun* (2009) 45 Cal.4th 1172, 1201); *People v. Humphrey* (1996) 13 Cal.4th 1073, 1082; see also, CALCRIM No. 505.

A person may use all the force in self-defense that he believes reasonably necessary and which would appear to a reasonable person, in the same or similar circumstances, to be necessary to prevent the injury that appears to be imminent. CALCRIM No. 3470. If the person's beliefs were reasonable, the danger does not need to have actually existed. *Id.*

In evaluating whether a police officer's deadly force was reasonable, it is helpful to draw guidance from the objective standard of reasonableness adopted in civil actions alleging Fourth Amendment violations. "The 'reasonableness' of a particular use of force must be judged from the perspective of a reasonable officer on the scene, rather than with the 20/20 vision of hindsight… The calculus of reasonableness must embody allowance for the fact that police officers are often forced to make split-second judgments—in circumstances that are tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving—about the amount of force that is necessary in a particular situation." *Graham v. Connor* (1989) 490 U.S. 386, 396-397.

ANALYSIS

Van Hoesen was working a single man unit and attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the Honda because its registration was expired. The Honda evaded. When it did stop, Simpson ran from the car holding a gun. Van Hoesen pursued Simpson but did not discharge his duty weapon until Simpson fired at him. Simpson's gunshot was so close that Van Hoesen heard it "whizz" by him.

When Simpson turned to Van Hoesen and fired at him, Van Hoesen was justified returning fire in self-defense and continuing to fire until Simpson, under the circumstances known to Van Hoesen, was fully disabled. Van Hoesen did not know that Simpson had likely accidentally dropped his firearm's loaded magazine as he fled, and his gun held only one round. The fact that Simpson was able to fire only a single round does not change the lawfulness of Van Hoesen's actions. Under the law, if Van Hoesen's beliefs were reasonable—and they were—a danger need not actually have existed.

CONCLUSION

We find that Van Hoesen acted lawfully in self-defense when he used deadly force against Jamaal Simpson.